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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Attorney Docket No. 100116)

IN THE APPLICATION OF:)
David Mikolas et al.)
) Examiner:
Serial 10/752,416) George Binh Minh Nguyen
No.)
) Group Art Unit: 3723
Filed: January 6, 2004)
) Confirmation No.: 3899
Title: Micromachining by Chemical)
Mechanical Polishing)

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
MAILED DECEMBER 3, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 3, 2004,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this
paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of
claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper
and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached
following page 15 of this paper.